

## PROJECT ADMINISTRATION DATA SHEET

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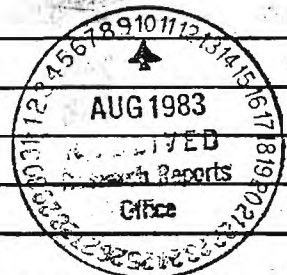
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Grant/Contract Closeout Actions Remaining:

- ☒ Final Invoice ~~and Closing Documents~~
- ☐ Final Fiscal Report
- ☐ Final Report of Inventions
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AIR QUALITY SURVEY

for

CHARTER MEDICAL CORPORATION

577 Mulberry Street  
Macon, Georgia 31298

Project No. A-3565

FINAL REPORT

August 1983

Georgia Institute of Technology  
Engineering Experiment Station  
Environmental Health and Safety Division  
Atlanta, Georgia 30332

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Air sampling was conducted at the Metropolitan Eye and Ear Hospital on June 14, 1983. The study was conducted by members of Georgia Institute of Technology's Environmental Health and Safety Division. The purpose of the study was to determine the concentration of airborne asbestos fibers which could be released by asbestos-containing materials used in the construction of the building.

The results of the study showed low concentrations of airborne asbestos. The concentrations found are below all current and proposed OSHA and NIOSH standards and guidelines. Removal, encapsulation, or enclosure of the asbestos-containing materials is not recommended at this time since such activities would greatly increase the amount of asbestos in the air. Continuous surveillance of the air is recommended annually along with establishment of an operations and maintenance plan to ensure employees and building occupants are protected during routine and non-routine maintenance activities.

## AIR QUALITY SURVEY

for

CHARTER MEDICAL CORPORATION  
577 Mulberry Street  
Macon, Georgia 31298

Project No. A-3565  
Final Report

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Georgia Tech Research Institute was retained by Charter Medical Corporation to conduct air sampling and analyses to determine the extent of exposure to airborne asbestos fibers at the Metropolitan Eye and Ear Hospital located in Atlanta, Georgia. This study was conducted at the request of Mr. Patrick A. Regan and Mr. Daryl Lumpkin of Charter Medical Corporation.

The sampling survey was conducted by James L. Burson and William M. Ewing of Georgia Tech's Environmental Health and Safety Division. The air sampling was performed on June 14, 1983. The following report summarizes the results of air sampling and analyses along with conclusions and recommendations, where necessary.

### 2.0 FACILITY DESCRIPTION

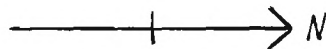
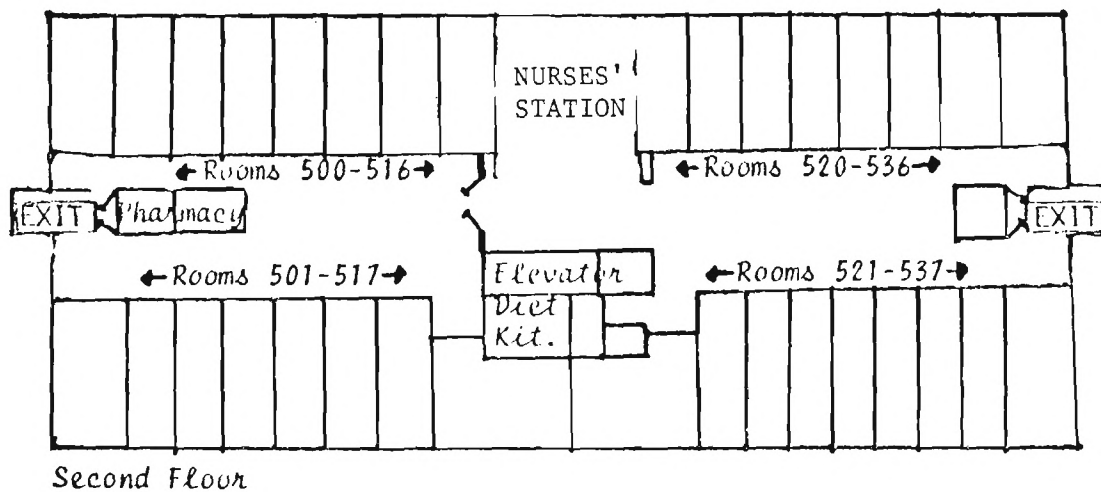
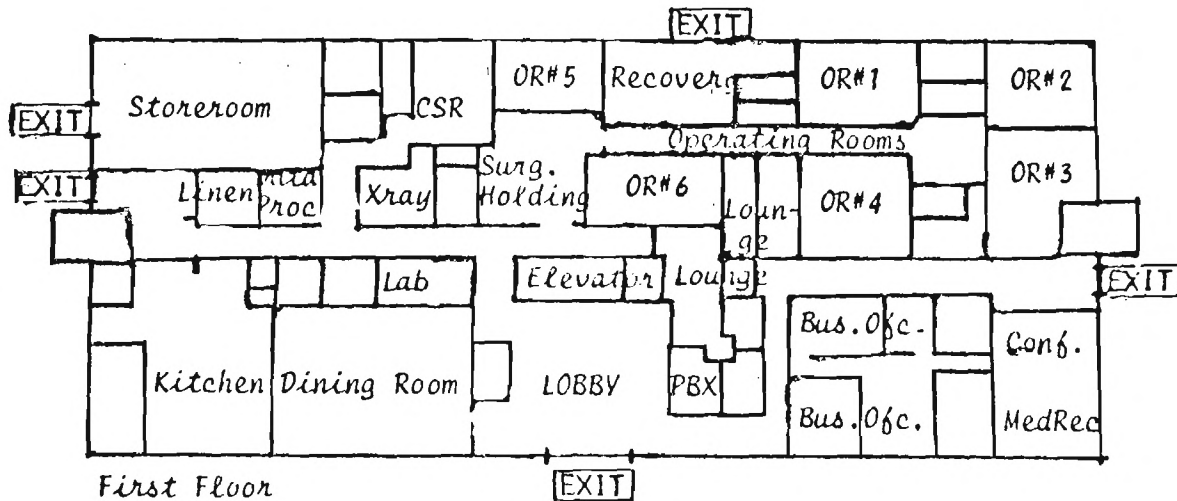
The Metropolitan Eye and Ear Hospital is located at 3223 Howell Mill Road, N.W. in Atlanta. The facility consists of a two-level building housing 31 patient rooms, six operating rooms, kitchen, dining room, business office, and other support functions. Figure 2.0-1 is a floor plan of the building. Two mechanical rooms, not shown on this figure, are located adjacent the center of the west exterior wall on each level.

The lower level mechanical room supplies air to the lower floor and the upper level mechanical room supplies air to that floor. It should be noted that the operating rooms are supplied with 100% tempered fresh air.

The building is constructed of cast concrete with the indentations sprayed with approximately one-half inch (depth) of fireproofing. During a meeting with D. Lumpkin and P. Regan of Charter Medical prior to the air sampling survey, the Georgia Tech representative was informed that the sprayed-on fireproofing contained chrysotile asbestos (percentage unknown), as did insulation blankets covering certain ductwork. Mr. Regan said that further bulk sampling would not be requested. Accordingly, the Georgia Tech representatives had to assume the material did indeed contain asbestos.

### 3.0 CONCLUSIONS

- 3.1 The total airborne fiber concentration was not found to be significantly higher inside the building than the ambient air during the sampling period.



METROPOLITAN EYE & EAR HOSPITAL  
Atlanta, Georgia

Figure 2.0-1

- 3.2 All samples were well below the current and proposed OSHA permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 2 fibers\* per cubic centimeter of air (fibers/cc) and 0.5 fibers/cc, respectively. The highest fiber\* concentration detected was 0.003 fibers/cc. All samples are representative of 8-hour, time-weighted average (TWA) determinations.
- 3.3 Subsequent analysis by transmission electron microscopy (TEM) indicated asbestos concentrations no greater than those encountered in many rural areas and below levels often found in urban areas. The highest concentration found was 0.5 nanograms per cubic meter (ng/m<sup>3</sup>).
- 3.4 These data indicate that any asbestos-containing materials in this facility are not deteriorating at a rate to cause significant increases in airborne asbestos concentrations. This is not to say that future deterioration will not occur.
- 3.5 Higher airborne asbestos concentrations would be expected during any maintenance, renovation, or demolition activities which would involve disturbing the fireproofing.
- 3.6 Removal, enclosure, or encapsulation of the fireproofing at this time is not recommended. However, as the fireproofing ages and further deterioration occurs some control measures will be necessary. In the meantime an operations and maintenance plan will be necessary to protect both employees and building occupants from exposure to asbestos.

#### 4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 The condition of the material should be monitored periodically (annually) to check for water damage, delamination, and general condition of the fireproofing, pipe lagging, boiler insulation and duct wrapping. A record of each inspection should be maintained.
- 4.2 Area air sampling should be conducted periodically (annually) to determine airborne asbestos concentrations inside the building. Analyses should include TEM or SEM (scanning electron microscopy) to enable quantification of the smallest asbestos fibrils.
- 4.3 An operations and maintenance plan should be established to protect employees and building occupants from unnecessary asbestos exposure. An effective operations and maintenance plan should consist of the following elements.
1. One person at the facility should be designated the asbestos coordinator and have the responsibility for ensuring that all proper precautions are followed when asbestos-containing materials are disturbed.
  2. Notify all maintenance personnel or others, including contractors, telephone and elevator repair personnel, of the potential hazard associated with the asbestos-containing materials.

\*greater than 5 micrometers in length

3. The asbestos coordinator should be notified when any work involving asbestos-containing materials is to occur.
4. The air handling system from the work area should be shut down and sealed before work begins.
5. The work area should be physically isolated from all other areas (barriers constructed of polyethylene plastic work well for this).
6. Warning signs should be posted at all entrances and exits to the work area. Specifications for these signs are in the OSHA standard (see Appendix B).
7. The work area should have no openings where air containing asbestos might escape.
8. The floor should be covered with plastic (minimum 6 mil) to protect it from asbestos contamination and water damage.
9. All movable items should be removed from the work area and stationary items sealed in plastic.
10. All work practices should include wet methods to minimize the generation of asbestos-containing dust.
11. No mechanized equipment should be used in direct contact with the fireproofing unless equipped with HEPA\* filtered local exhaust.
12. All workers or other persons entering the work area must wear respiratory protection approved for use in atmospheres containing asbestos by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). Note: Disposable respirators will not offer enough protection under most circumstances.
13. All personnel required to wear a respirator will need to be enrolled in a respiratory protection program which meets the specifications of the OSHA standard (29 CFR 1910.134, see Appendix C).
14. All persons entering the work area should wear appropriate full body protective covering. (Disposable coveralls work well for this purpose.)
15. Waste should be bagged in the work area while still wet.
16. All waste generated should be bagged and labeled according to EPA or OSHA regulations, and disposed of at an approved landfill.
17. Upon completion of work all surfaces should be vacuumed with a HEPA filtered vacuum or wet-wiped. After waiting 24 hours for dust to settle this should be repeated.
18. Air sampling should be conducted during and immediately following maintenance activities which might disturb the fireproofing or settled dust. This should include personal samples for the workers and area samples immediately outside the work area. Upon completion of final clean-up additional air samples must be taken.
19. All air sample results should be reported to the Asbestos Coordinator within 24 hours in order that appropriate action can be taken, if needed.
20. The standard operating procedures must be strictly enforced for building personnel and contractor personnel.

\*HEPA - High Efficiency Particulate Absolute

- 4.4 All persons engaged in activities which might expose them to fibers in excess of 0.1 fibers/cc (8-hour, TWA) should be enrolled in a medical surveillance program. Requirements for this program are outlined in Appendix B (29 CFR 1910.1001(j)).
- 4.5 All medical and air monitoring records should be maintained for at least 30 years.
- 4.6 Should a major renovation, partial, or complete demolition of this building be considered, the EPA has several requirements regarding notification of authorities, work practices, and proper waste disposal. These are included in Appendix D of this report.

## 5.0 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

### 5.1 SAMPLING PROTOCOL

A sampling protocol was designed to determine trace concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers at nine locations throughout the facility. The nine locations listed in Table 5.0-1 were chosen to sample those areas where employees and patients spend the majority of their time while in the building. Further, the activities in each area played a role in choosing sample locations. Accordingly, samples were placed in those areas of each room where the greatest activity was expected.

In addition, two samples were collected outside the building to measure the concentration of asbestos in the ambient air. These two samples were collected at each of the two air inlets for the building's air handling system.

The sampling method used was the NIOSH Method P & CAM 239 (U. S. Department of HEW, NIOSH Manual of Analytical Methods (2nd Edition), Vol. 1, April 1977). All samples were collected using battery-operated portable pumps calibrated at 2.0 liters per minute (flowrate). The sampling medium was the 0.8 micron (pore size) mixed cellulose ester membrane filter (MCEF) housed in a 37-millimeter diameter styrene cassette. All sampling was performed for a minimum of 15 hours.

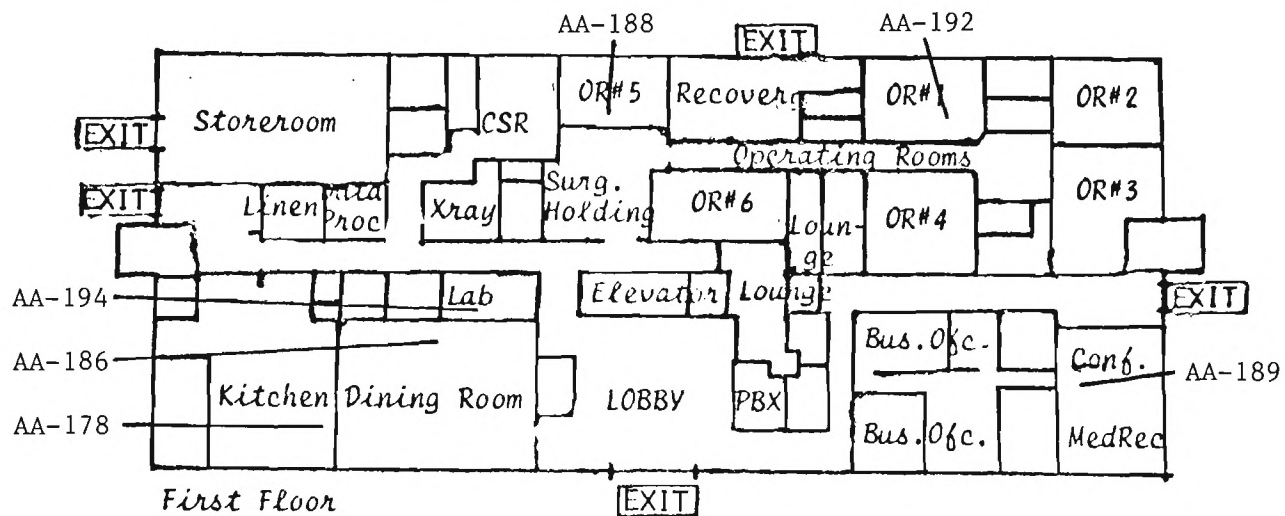
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#### AIR SAMPLING LOCATIONS

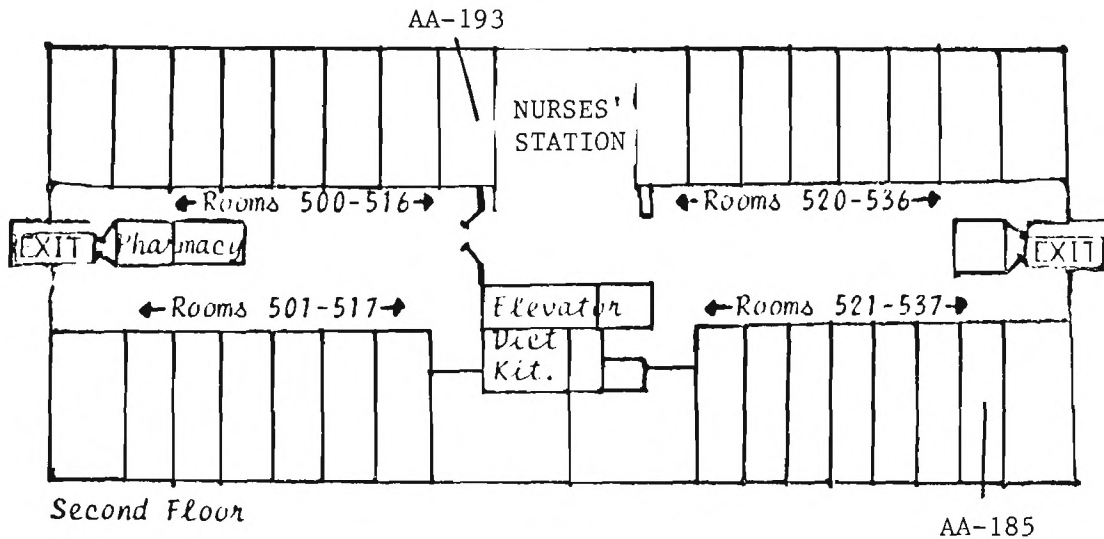
Dining Room	Patient Room (2)
Kitchen	Operating Rooms (2)
Medical Records	Boiler Room
Laboratory	Outside, Ambient Air (2)

Each sample was analyzed first by phase-contrast microscopy as described in the NIOSH Method P & CAM 239 and required for compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Asbestos Standard (29 CFR 1910.1001).

AA-190 (air intake for lower floor)  
 AA-181 (lower mechanical room)



AA-184 (air intake for upper floor)



AIR SAMPLING LOCATIONS  
 METROPOLITAN EYE & EAR HOSPITAL  
 Atlanta, Georgia

Figure 5.0-1



Figure 5.0-2

Comparison of measured airborne asbestos concentrations in three settings.\*

Metropolitan Eye  
& Ear Hospital [ ]

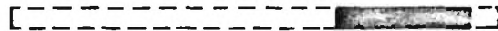
Asbestos insulation  
workplaces before 1970

(Nicholson, personal  
communication, 1982)



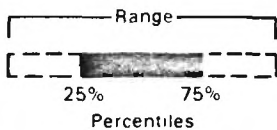
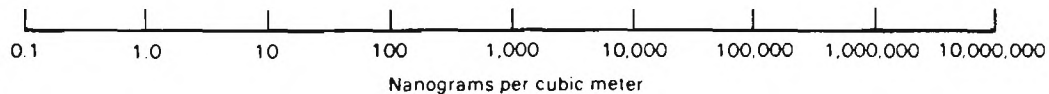
School buildings

(Constant, et al 1982)



Outdoor ambient air

(Nicholson, et al 1971)



\*Levels in asbestos workplaces were derived from measurements using phase contrast microscopy (PCM) while levels in school buildings and outdoors were measured using electron microscopy (EM). PCM and EM measurements are not directly comparable. PCM measures all fibers whereas EM can distinguish between asbestos and nonasbestos fibers. In addition, EM has a better capability than PCM for detecting small fibers. In order to translate the workplace PCM measurements (expressed as fiber counts) into values of asbestos mass (nanograms) that are approximately comparable to EM measurements, 30 fibers were assumed to equal one nanogram. This value is an average obtained from many comparisons of PCM and EM measurements taken at the same location (industrial settings) and time. Values for individual samples range from about 10 fibers per nanogram of asbestos to well over 100 fibers per nanogram, depending on the average size of fibers and the relative number of asbestos and nonasbestos fibers in the air (Versar 1980 and William Nicholson, personal communication, 1982).

FROM: USEPA, Guidance for Controlling Friable Asbestos-Containing Materials in Buildings. EPA Report Number 560/5-83-002, March 1983.



Following this analysis each sample was analyzed for asbestos using transmission electron microscopy (TEM). This method permits the identification and quantification of small, individual fibers and fibrils of asbestos. The NIOSH method, on the other hand, analyzes for all fibers (asbestos or not) longer than 5 micrometers.

## 5.2 RESULTS OF AIR SAMPLING

The sampling locations are shown on Figure 5.0-1. The analytical results for each sample are summarized in Appendix A of this report. The results of the samples analyzed by phase-contrast microscopy were all below the practical limit of detection of 0.01 fibers (greater than 5 micrometers in length) per cubic centimeter of air sampled (fibers/cc). The range of values reported were from less than 0.002 to 0.003 fibers/cc. These values are below the current OSHA standard of 2 fibers/cc (8-hour, time-weighted average (TWA)) and the action level of 0.1 fibers/cc (8-hour, TWA). It should be noted that the current OSHA standard is not considered adequate to protect against the carcinogenicity of asbestos fibers. Accordingly, all samples received further analyses by TEM to determine the actual concentrations of asbestos present. No asbestos fibers (or fibrils) were detected in 8 of the 11 samples analyzed. A trace amount of chrysotile asbestos was detected in the sample collected in the kitchen (0.03 nanograms per cubic meter of air sampled (ng/m<sup>3</sup>)). Two samples collected in operating rooms 1 and 5 indicated an airborne concentration of 0.5 nanograms per cubic meter of air sampled. Although this concentration is greater than that found in other areas of the facility it is not significantly higher than that found in the ambient air (outdoors) of many rural settings and below the ambient levels often found in urban areas. The scant data available for ambient levels of asbestos in rural air include a reported range of 0.01-0.1 nanograms per cubic meter.<sup>1</sup> Average reported concentrations of asbestos in urban air vary between 0.09 and 70 nanograms per cubic meter.<sup>2, 3</sup> Figure 5.0-2, extracted from the most recent EPA guidance document for controlling asbestos in buildings (March 1983) indicates concentrations of asbestos in air found in various settings.

Based on these findings, and observations indicating the material is well-bound to the concrete substrate, airborne asbestos fibers are not being released into the building environment in significant concentrations through simple deterioration. It should be noted that as the material ages and the rate of deterioration increases the concentration of fibers in the building air would increase. Further, any mechanical disturbance of the material such as during certain non-routine maintenance activities would increase the concentration of asbestos in the building air. These items are addressed further in section 4.0 of this report.

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## APPENDICES

**APPENDIX A**  
Results of Air Sampling

TABLE A-1

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Engineering Experiment Station  
Safety & Health Services

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## INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SAMPLING SUMMARY

Location: Metropolitan Eye and Ear HospitalMaterials Fibers greater than 5 micrometers inAtlanta, Georgialength (NIOSH Method P & CAM 239)

Date 1983	Sample Number	Description	Sampling Period		Sample Volume (Liters)	Sample Time (Min.)	Concentration	
			Start	Stop			Fibers per Filter	Fibers per cc Air
6/14	AA-186	Area Sample: Center of West Wall of Dining Room	0558	2108	1820	910	3000	0.002
6/14	AA-178	Area Sample: Kitchen, East End of Room by Dining Room Door	0602	2110	1816	908	<3000	<0.002
6/14	AA-189	Area Sample: Medical Records Room, by Door to Hallway	0607	2112	1810	905	<3000	<0.002
6/14	AA-194	Area Sample: Laboratory, on Shelf Above Microscope	0611	2115	1808	904	<3000	<0.002
6/14	AA-181	Area Sample: Lower Mech. Room, on Shop Table	0617	2117	1800	900	3000	0.002
6/14	AA-190	Area Sample: Outdoors, at Air Intake for Lower Floor	0620	2120	1800	900	3000	0.002
6/14	AA-184	Area Sample: Outdoors, at Air Intake for Upper Floor	0625	2124	1800	900	3000	0.002
6/14	AA-193	Area Sample: Upper Floor, Patient Room 516	0630	2130	1800	900	4000	0.002
6/14	AA-185	Area Sample: Upper Floor, Patient Room 535	0632	2132	1800	900	6000	0.003
6/14	AA-192	Area Sample: Operating Room Number 1	0639	2140	1802	901	<3000	<0.002
6/14	AA-188	Area Sample: Operating Room Number 5	0639	2140	1802	901	4000	0.002

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
Engineering Experiment Station  
Safety & Health Services

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## INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SAMPLING SUMMARY

Location: Metropolitan Eye &amp; Ear Hospital

Materials Asbestos Fibers Analyzed by Transmission

Atlanta, Georgia

Electron Microscopy (TEM)

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Date 1983	Sample Number	Description	Sampling Period		Sample Volume (Liters)	Sample Time (Min.)	Concentration	
			Start	Stop			Fibers per cc Air	ng/m <sup>3</sup> *
6/14	AA-186	Area Sample: Center of West Wall of Dining Room	0558	2108	1820	910	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-178	Area Sample: Kitchen, East End of Room by Dining Room Door	0602	2110	1816	908	0.02	0.03
6/14	AA-189	Area Sample: Medical Records Room, by Door to Hallway	0607	2112	1810	905	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-194	Area Sample: Laboratory, on Shelf Above Microscope	0611	2115	1808	904	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-181	Area Sample: Lower Mech. Room, on Shop Table	0617	2117	1800	900	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-190	Area Sample: Outdoors, at Air Intake for Lower Floor	0620	2120	1800	900	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-184	Area Sample: Outdoors, at Air Intake for Upper Floor	0625	2125	1800	900	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-193	Area Sample: Upper Floor, Patient Room 516	0630	2130	1800	900	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-185	Area Sample: Upper Floor, Patient Room 535	0632	2132	1800	900	<0.005	<0.01
6/14	AA-192	Area Sample: Operating Room Number 1	0639	2140	1802	901	0.02	0.5
6/14	AA-188	Area Sample: Operating Room Number 5	0639	2140	1802	901	0.02	0.5

\*nanograms per cubic meter of air sampled (ng/m<sup>3</sup>)

**APPENDIX B**

OSHA Asbestos Standard  
29 CFR 1910.1001

OSHA

1910.1001 - ASBESTOS

(a) Definitions

For the purpose of this section.

- (1) "Asbestos" includes chrysotile, amosite, crocidolite, tremolite, anthophyllite, and actinolite.
- (2) "Asbestos fibers" means asbestos fibers longer than 5 micrometers.

(b) PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE TO AIRBORNE CONCENTRATIONS OF ASBESTOS FIBERS

- (1) Standard effective July 7, 1972. The 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers to which any employee may be exposed shall not exceed five fibers, longer than 5 micrometers, per cubic centimeter of air, as determined by the method prescribed in paragraph (e) of this section.
- (2) Standard effective July 1, 1976. The 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers to which any employee may be exposed shall not exceed two fibers, longer than 5 micrometers, per cubic centimeter of air, as determined by the method prescribed in paragraph (e) of this section.
- (3) Ceiling concentration. No employee shall be exposed at any time to airborne concentration of asbestos fibers in excess of 10 fibers, longer than 5 micrometers, per cubic centimeter of air, as determined by the method prescribed in paragraph (e) of this section.

(c) METHODS OF COMPLIANCE

(i) ENGINEERING METHODS

- (1) Engineering controls. Engineering controls, such as but not limited to, isolation, enclosure, exhaust ventilation, and dust collection, shall be used to meet the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(ii) LOCAL EXHAUST VENTILATION

- (a) Local exhaust ventilation and dust collection systems shall be designed, constructed, installed, and maintained in accordance with the American National Standard Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust Systems, ANSI Z9.2-1971, which is incorporated by reference herein.

- (b) See Section 1910.6 concerning the availability of ANSI-A9.2-1971, and the maintenance of a historic file in connection therewith. The address of the American National Standards Institute is given in Section 1910.100.

### (iii) PARTICULAR TOOLS

All hand-operated and power-operated tools which may produce or release asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, such as, but not limited to, saws, scorers, abrasive wheels, and drills, shall be provided with local exhaust ventilation systems in accordance with subdivision (ii) of this subparagraph.

## (2) WORK PRACTICES

- (i) Wet methods. Insofar as practicable, asbestos shall be handled, mixed, applied, removed, cut, scored, or otherwise worked in a wet state sufficient to prevent the emission of airborne fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, unless the usefulness of the product would be diminished thereby.
- (ii) Particular products and operations. No asbestos cement, mortar, coating, grout, plaster, or similar material containing asbestos shall be removed from bags, cartons, or other containers in which they are shipped, without being either wetted, or enclosed, or ventilated so as to prevent effectively the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (iii) Spraying, demolition, or removal. Employees engaged in the spraying of asbestos, the removal, or demolition of pipes, structures, or equipment covered or insulated with asbestos, and in the removal or demolition of asbestos insulation or coverings shall be provided with respiratory equipment in accordance with paragraph (d) (2) (iii) of this section and with special clothing in accordance with paragraph (d) (3) of this section.

## (d) PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- (1) Compliance with the exposure limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section may not be achieved by the use of respirators or shift rotation of employees, except:
  - (i) During the time period necessary to install the engineering controls and to institute the work practices required by paragraph (c) of this section;
  - (ii) In work situations in which the methods prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section are either technically not feasible or feasible to an extent insufficient to reduce the airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers below the limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section; or



(iii) In emergencies.

(iv) Where both respirators and personnel rotation are allowed by subdivision (i) and (ii), or (iii) of this subparagraph, and both are practicable, personnel rotation shall be preferred and used.

(2) Where a respirator is permitted by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, it shall be selected from among those approved by the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, or the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Department, of Health, Education, and Welfare, under the provisions of 30 CFR Part 11 (37 P.R. 6244, March 25, 1972), and shall be used in accordance with subdivisions (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this subparagraph.

(i) Air purifying respirators. A reusable or single use air purifying respirator, or a respirator described in subdivision (ii) or (iii) of this subparagraph, shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed no more than 10 times those limits.

(ii) Powered air purifying respirators. A full facepiece powered air purifying respirator, or a powered air purifying respirator, or a respirator described in subdivision (iii) of this subparagraph, shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour, time-weighted average concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed 10 times, but not 100 times, those limits.

(iii) Type "C" supplied-air respirators, continuous flow or pressure-demand class. A type "C" continuous flow or pressure-demand, supplied air respirator shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed 100 times those limits.

(iv) ESTABLISHMENT OF A RESPIRATOR PROGRAM

(a) The employer shall establish a respirator program in accordance with the requirements of the American National Standard Practices for respiratory Protection, ANSI Z88.2-1969, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(b) See Section 1910.6 concerning the availability of ANSI Z88.2-1969 and the maintenance of an historic file in connection therewith. The address of the American National Standards Institute is given in Section 1910.100.

- (c) No employee shall be assigned to tasks requiring the use of respirators if, based upon his most recent examination, an examining physician determines that the employee will be unable to function normally wearing a respirator, or that the safety or health of the employee or other employees will be impaired by his use of the respirator. Such employee shall be rotated to another job or given the opportunity to transfer to a different position whose duties he is able to perform with the same employer, in the same geographical area and with the same seniority, status, and rate of pay he had just prior to such transfer, if such a different position is available.
- (3) Special Clothing: The employer shall provide, and require the use of, special clothing, such as coveralls or similar whole body clothing, head coverings, gloves, and foot coverings for any employee exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, which exceed the ceiling level prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (4) Change rooms:
  - (i) At any fixed place of employment exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, the employer shall provide change rooms for employees working regularly at the place.
  - (ii) Clothes lockers: The employer shall provide two separate lockers or containers for each employee, so separated or isolated as to prevent contamination of the employee's street clothes from his work clothes.
  - (iii) Laundering:
    - (a) Laundering of asbestos-contaminated clothing shall be done so as to prevent the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.
    - (b) Any employer who gives asbestos-contaminated clothing to another person for laundering shall inform such person of the requirement in (a) of this subdivision to effectively prevent the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.
    - (c) Contaminated clothing shall be transported in sealed impermeable bags, or other closed, impermeable bags, or other closed, impermeable containers, and labeled in accordance with paragraph (g) of this section.

(e) METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

All determinations of airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers shall be made by the membrane filter method at 400-450 x (magnification) (4 millimeter objective) with phase contrast illumination.

**(f) MONITORING**

**(1) Initial determinations.** Within 6 months of the publication of this section, every employer shall cause every place of employment where asbestos fibers are released to be monitored in such a way as to determine whether every employee's exposure to asbestos fibers is below the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section. If the limits are exceeded, the employer shall immediately undertake a compliance program in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section.

**(2) Personal Monitoring**

**(i)** Samples shall be collected from within the breathing zone of the employees, on membrane filters of 0.8 micrometer porosity mounted in an open-face filter holder. Samples shall be taken for the determination of the 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations and of the ceiling concentrations of asbestos fibers.

**(ii)** Sampling frequency and patterns. After the initial determinations required by subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, samples shall be of such frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of exposure of employees. In no case shall the sampling be done at intervals greater than 6 months for employees whose exposure to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section.

**(3) Environmental monitoring**

**(i)** Samples shall be collected from areas of a work environment which are representative of the airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers which may reach the breathing zone of employees. Samples shall be collected on a membrane filter of 0.8 micrometer porosity mounted in an open-face filter holder. Samples shall be taken for the determination of the 8-hour, time-weighted average airborne concentrations and of the ceiling concentrations of asbestos fibers.

**(ii)** Sampling frequency and patterns. After the initial determinations required by subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, samples shall be of such frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of exposure of the employees. In no case shall sampling be at intervals greater than 6 months for employees whose exposures to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

**(4) Employee observation of monitoring.** Affected employees, or their representatives, shall be given a reasonable opportunity to observe any monitoring required by this paragraph and shall have access to the records thereof.

**(g) CAUTION SIGNS AND LABELS**

**(1) Caution Signs**

- (i) Posting.** Caution signs shall be provided and displayed at each location where airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers may be in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section. Signs shall be posted at such a distance from such a location so that an employee may read the signs and take necessary protective steps before entering the area marked by the signs. Signs shall be posted at all approaches to areas containing excessive concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers.
- (ii) Sign specifications.** The warning signs required by subdivision (i) of this subparagraph shall conform to the requirements of 20" x 14" vertical format signs specified in Section 1910.145(d)(4), and to this subdivision. The signs shall display the following legend in the lower panel, with letter sizes and styles of a visibility at least equal to that specified in this subdivision.

**LEGEND**

**NOTATION**

Asbestos	1" Sans Serif, Gothic or Block
Dust Hazard	3/4" Sans Serif, Gothic or Block
Avoid Breathing Dust	1/4" Gothic
Wear Assigned Protective Equipment	1/4" Gothic
Do Not Remain in Area Unless Your Work Requires It	1/4" Gothic
Breathing Asbestos Dust May be Hazardous to Your Health	14 Point Gothic

Spacing between lines shall be at least equal to the height of the upper of any two lines.

**(2) Caution Labels**

- (i) Labeling.** Caution labels shall be affixed to all raw materials, mixtures, scrap, waste, debris, and other products containing asbestos fibers, or to their containers, except that no label is required where asbestos fibers have been modified by a bonding agent, coating, binder, or other material so that during any reasonably foreseeable use, handling, storage, disposal, processing, or transportation, no airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section will be released.

- (ii) Label specifications. The caution labels required by subdivision (i) of this subparagraph shall be printed in letters of sufficient size and contrast as to be readily visible and legible. The label shall state:

CAUTION  
Contains Asbestos Fibers  
Avoid creating Dust  
Breathing Asbestos Dust May Cause  
Serious Bodily Harm

(h) HOUSEKEEPING

- (1) Cleaning. All external surfaces in any place of employment shall be maintained free of accumulations of asbestos fibers if, with their dispersion, there would be an excessive concentration.
- (2) Waste disposal. Asbestos waste, scrap, debris, bags, containers, equipment, and asbestos-contaminated clothing, consigned for disposal, which may produce in any reasonably foreseeable use, handling, storage, processing, disposal or transportation airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section shall be collected and disposed of in sealed impermeable bags, or other closed, impermeable containers.

(i) Recordkeeping

- (1) Exposure records. Every employer shall maintain records of any personal or environmental monitoring required by this section. Records shall be maintained for a period of at least 20 years and shall be made available upon request to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, the Director of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and to authorized representatives of either.
- (2) Employee access. Every employee and former employee shall have reasonable access to any record required to be maintained by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, which indicates the employee's own exposure to asbestos fibers.
- (3) Employee notification. Any employee found to have been exposed at any time to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section shall be notified in writing of the exposure as soon as practicable but not later than 5 days of the finding. The employee shall also be timely notified of the corrective action being taken.

(j) MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

- (1) General. The employer shall provide or make available at his cost, medical examinations relative to exposure to asbestos required by this paragraph.



- (2) **Preplacement.** The employer shall provide or make available to each of his employees, within 30 calendar days following his first employment in an occupation exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination, which shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), a history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV 1.0).
- (3) **Annual examinations.** On or before January 31, 1973, and at least annually thereafter, every employer shall provide, or make available, comprehensive medical examinations to each of his employees engaged in occupations exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers. Such annual examination shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV 1.0).
- (4) **Termination of employment.** The employer shall provide, or make available, within 30 calendar days before or after the termination of employment of any employee engaged in an occupation exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination which shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), a history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV 1.0).
- (5) **Recent examinations.** No medical examination is required of any employee, if adequate records show that the employee has been examined in accordance with this paragraph within the past 1-year period.
- (6) **Medical records.**
  - (i) **Maintenance.** Employers of employees examined pursuant to this paragraph shall cause to be maintained complete and accurate records of all such medical examinations. Records shall be retained by employers for at least 20 years.
  - (ii) **Access.** Records of the medical examinations required by this paragraph shall be provided upon request to employees, designated representatives, and the Assistant Secretary in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.20(a)-(e) and (g)-(i). These records shall also be provided upon the request to the Director of NIOSH. Any physician who conducts a medical examination required by this paragraph shall furnish to the employer of the examined employee all the information specifically required by this paragraph, and any other medical information related to occupational exposure to asbestos fibers.

## APPENDIX C

OSHA Requirements For A  
Respiratory Protection Program  
29 CFR 1910.134

# OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS

## SUBPART I — PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

(Code of Federal Regulations, Title 29, Chapter XVII, Part 1910, 36 FR 10466,  
— May 29, 1971; amended at 36 FR 15105, August 13, 1971; 37 FR 22231, October 18,  
1972; republished at 39 FR 23502, June 27, 1974; standard provision revoked at 43 FR  
49726, October 24, 1978)

### Subpart I—Personal Protective Equipment

#### § 1910.132 General requirements.

(a) *Application.* Protective equipment, including personal protective equipment for eyes, face, head, and extremities, protective clothing, respiratory devices, and protective shields and barriers, shall be provided, used, and maintained in a sanitary and reliable condition wherever it is necessary by reason of hazards of processes or environment, chemical hazards, radiological hazards, or mechanical irritants encountered in a manner capable of causing injury or impairment in the function of any part of the body through absorption, inhalation or physical contact.

(b) *Employee-owned equipment.* Where employees provide their own protective equipment, the employer shall be responsible to assure its adequacy, including proper maintenance, and sanitation of such equipment.

(c) *Design.* All personal protective equipment shall be of safe design and construction for the work to be performed.

#### § 1910.133 Eye and face protection.

(a) *General.* (1) Protective eye and face equipment shall be required where there is a reasonable probability of injury that can be prevented by such equipment. In such cases, employers shall make conveniently available a type of protector suitable for the work to be performed, and employees shall use such protectors. No unprotected person shall knowingly be subjected to a hazardous environmental condition. Suitable eye protectors shall be provided where machines or operations present the hazard of flying objects, glare, liquids, injurious radiation, or a combination of these hazards.

(2) Protectors shall meet the following minimum requirements:

(i) They shall provide adequate protection against the particular hazards for which they are designed.

(ii) They shall be reasonably comfortable when worn under the designated conditions.

(iii) They shall fit snugly and shall not unduly interfere with the movements of the wearer.

(iv) They shall be durable.

(v) They shall be capable of being disinfected.

(vi) They shall be easily cleanable.

(vii) Protectors should be kept clean and in good repair.

(3) Persons whose vision requires the use of corrective lenses in spectacles, and who are required by this standard to wear eye protection, shall wear goggles or spectacles of one of the following types:

(i) Spectacles whose protective lenses provide optical correction.

(ii) Goggles that can be worn over corrective spectacles without disturbing the adjustment of the spectacles.

(iii) Goggles that incorporate corrective lenses mounted behind the protective lenses.

(4) Every protector shall be distinctly marked to facilitate identification only of the manufacturer.

(5) When limitations or precautions are indicated by the manufacturer, they shall be transmitted to the user and care taken to see that such limitations and precautions are strictly observed.

(6) Design, construction, testing, and use of devices for eye and face protection shall be in accordance with American National Standard for Occupational and Educational Eye and Face Protection, Z87.1-1968.

#### § 1910.134 Respiratory protection.

(a) *Permissible practice.* (1) In the control of these occupational diseases caused by breathing air contaminated with harmful dusts, fogs, fumes, mists, gases, smokes, sprays, or vapors, the primary objective shall be to prevent atmospheric contamination. This shall be accomplished as far as feasible by accepted engineering control measures (for example, enclosure or confinement of the operation, general and local ventilation, and substitution of less toxic materials). When effective engineering controls are not feasible, or while they are being instituted, appropriate respirators shall be used pursuant to the following requirements.

(2) Respirators shall be provided by the employer when such equipment is necessary to protect the health of the employee. The employer shall provide the respirators which are applicable and suitable for the purpose intended. The employer shall be responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a respiratory protective program which shall include the requirements outlined in paragraph (b) of this section.

(3) The employee shall use the provided respiratory protection in accordance with instructions and training received.

(b) *Requirements for a minimal acceptable program.* (1) Written standard operating procedures governing the selection and use of respirators shall be established.

(2) Respirators shall be selected on the basis of hazards to which the worker is exposed.

(3) The user shall be instructed and trained in the proper use of respirators and their limitations.

(4) Where practicable, the respirators should be assigned to individual workers for their exclusive use.

(5) Respirators shall be regularly cleaned and disinfected. Those issued for

[Sec. 1910.134(b)(5)]



the exclusive use of one worker should be cleaned after each day's use, or more often if necessary. Those used by more than one worker shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected after each use.

(6) Respirators shall be stored in a convenient, clean, and sanitary location.

(7) Respirators used routinely shall be inspected during cleaning. Worn or deteriorated parts shall be replaced. Respirators for emergency use such as self-contained devices shall be thoroughly inspected at least once a month and after each use.

(8) Appropriate surveillance of work area conditions and degree of employee exposure or stress shall be maintained.

(9) There shall be regular inspection and evaluation to determine the continued effectiveness of the program.

(10) Persons should not be assigned tasks requiring use of respirators unless it has been determined that they are physically able to perform the work and use the equipment. The local physician shall determine what health and physical conditions are pertinent. The respirator user's medical status should be reviewed periodically (for instance, annually).

(11) Approved or accepted respirators shall be used when they are available. The respirator furnished shall provide adequate respiratory protection against the particular hazard for which it is designed in accordance with standards established by competent authorities. The U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Mines, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture are recognized as such authorities. Although respirators listed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture continue to be acceptable for protection against specified pesticides, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Mines, is the agency now responsible for testing and approving pesticide respirators.

(c) *Selection of respirators.* Proper selection of respirators shall be made according to the guidance of American National Standard Practices for Respiratory Protection Z88.2-1969.

(d) *Air quality.* (1) Compressed air, compressed oxygen, liquid air, and liquid oxygen used for respiration shall be of high purity. Oxygen shall meet the requirements of the United States Pharmacopeia for medical or breathing oxygen. Breathing air shall meet at least the requirements of the specification for Grade breathing air as described in Compressed Gas Association Commodity Specification G-7.1-1966. Compressed oxygen shall not be used in supplied-air respirators or in open circuit self-contained breathing apparatus that have previously used compressed air. Oxygen shall never be used with air line respirators.

(2) Breathing air may be supplied to respirators from cylinders or air compressors.

(i) Cylinders shall be tested and maintained as prescribed in the Shipping Container Specification Regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 CFR Part 178).

(ii) The compressor for supplying air shall be equipped with necessary safety and standby devices. A breathing air-

type compressor shall be used. Compressors shall be constructed and situated so as to avoid entry of contaminated air into the system and suitable in-line air purifying sorbent beds and filters installed to further assure breathing air quality. A receiver of sufficient capacity to enable the respirator wearer to escape from a contaminated atmosphere in event of compressor failure, and alarms to indicate compressor failure and overheating shall be installed in the system. If an oil-lubricated compressor is used, it shall have a high-temperature or carbon monoxide alarm, or both. If only a high-temperature alarm is used, the air from the compressor shall be frequently tested for carbon monoxide to insure that it meets the specifications in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph.

(3) Air line couplings shall be incompatible with outlets for other gas systems to prevent inadvertent servicing of air line respirators with nonrespirable gases or oxygen.

(4) Breathing gas containers shall be marked in accordance with American National Standard Method of Marking Portable Compressed Gas Containers to Identify the Material Contained, Z48.1-1954; Federal Specification BB-A-1034a, June 21, 1968, Air, Compressed for Breathing Purposes; or Interim Federal Specification GG-B-00675b, April 27, 1965, Breathing Apparatus, Self-Contained.

(e) *Use of respirators.* (1) Standard procedures shall be developed for respirator use. These should include all information and guidance necessary for their proper selection, use, and care. Possible emergency and routine uses of respirators should be anticipated and planned for.

(2) The correct respirator shall be specified for each job. The respirator type is usually specified in the work procedures by a qualified individual supervising the respiratory protective program. The individual issuing them shall be adequately instructed to insure that the correct respirator is issued. Each respirator permanently assigned to an individual should be durably marked to indicate to whom it was assigned. This mark shall not affect the respirator performance in any way. The date of issuance should be recorded.

(3) Written procedures shall be prepared covering safe use of respirators in dangerous atmospheres that might be encountered in normal operations or in emergencies. Personnel shall be familiar with these procedures and the available respirators.

(i) In areas where the wearer, with failure of the respirator, could be overcome by a toxic or oxygen-deficient atmosphere, at least one additional man shall be present. Communications (visual, voice, or signal line) shall be maintained between both or all individuals present. Planning shall be such that one individual will be unaffected by any likely incident and have the proper rescue equipment to be able to assist the other(s) in case of emergency.

(ii) When self-contained breathing apparatus or hose masks with blowers

are used in atmospheres immediately dangerous to life or health, standby men must be present with suitable rescue equipment.

(iii) Persons using air line respirators in atmospheres immediately hazardous to life or health shall be equipped with safety harnesses and safety lines for lifting or removing persons from hazardous atmospheres or other and equivalent provisions for the rescue of persons from hazardous atmospheres shall be used. A standby man or men with suitable self-contained breathing apparatus shall be at the nearest fresh air base for emergency rescue.

(4) Respiratory protection is no better than the respirator in use, even though it is worn conscientiously. Frequent random inspections shall be conducted by a qualified individual to assure that respirators are properly selected, used, cleaned, and maintained.

(5) For safe use of any respirator, it is essential that the user be properly instructed in its selection, use, and maintenance. Both supervisors and workers shall be so instructed by competent persons. Training shall provide the men an opportunity to handle the respirator, have it fitted properly, test its face-piece-to-face seal, wear it in normal air for a long familiarity period, and, finally, to wear it in a test atmosphere.

(i) Every respirator wearer shall receive fitting instructions including demonstrations and practice in how the respirator should be worn, how to adjust it, and how to determine if it fits properly. Respirators shall not be worn when conditions prevent a good face seal. Such conditions may be a growth of beard, sideburns, a skull cap that projects under the facepiece, or temple pieces on glasses. Also, the absence of one or both dentures can seriously affect the fit of a facepiece. The worker's diligence in observing these factors shall be evaluated by periodic check. To assure proper protection, the facepiece fit shall be checked by the wearer each time he puts on the respirator. This may be done by following the manufacturer's facepiece fitting instructions.

(ii) Providing respiratory protection for individuals wearing corrective glasses is a serious problem. A proper seal cannot be established if the temple bars of eye glasses extend through the sealing edge of the full facepiece. As a temporary measure, glasses with short temple bars or without temple bars may be taped to the wearer's head. Wearing of contact lenses in contaminated atmospheres with a respirator shall not be allowed. Systems have been developed for mounting corrective lenses inside full facepieces. When a workman must wear corrective lenses as part of the facepiece, the facepiece and lenses shall be fitted by qualified individuals to provide good vision, comfort, and a gas-tight seal.

(iii) If corrective spectacles or goggles are required, they shall be worn so as not to affect the fit of the facepiece. Proper selection of equipment will minimize or avoid this problem.

(f) *Maintenance and care of respirators.* (1) A program for maintenance and

care of respirators shall be adjusted to the type of plant, working conditions, and hazards involved, and shall include the following basic services:

- (i) Inspection for defects (including a leak check),
- (ii) Cleaning and disinfecting,
- (iii) Repair,
- (iv) Storage

Equipment shall be properly maintained to retain its original effectiveness.

(2) (i) All respirators shall be inspected routinely before and after each use. A respirator that is not routinely used but is kept ready for emergency use shall be inspected after each use and at least monthly to assure that it is in satisfactory working condition.

(ii) Self-contained breathing apparatus shall be inspected monthly. Air and oxygen cylinders shall be fully charged according to the manufacturer's instructions. It shall be determined that the regulator and warning devices function properly.

(iii) Respirator inspection shall include a check of the tightness of connections and the condition of the facepiece, headbands, valves, connecting tube, and canisters. Rubber or elastomer parts shall be inspected for pliability and signs of deterioration. Stretching and manipulating rubber or elastomer parts with a massaging action will keep them pliable and flexible and prevent them from taking a set during storage.

(iv) A record shall be kept of inspection dates and findings for respirators maintained for emergency use.

(3) Routinely used respirators shall be collected, cleaned, and disinfected as frequently as necessary to insure that proper protection is provided for the wearer. Each worker should be briefed on the cleaning procedure and be assured that he will always receive a clean and disinfected respirator. Such assurances are of greatest significance when respirators are not individually assigned to workers. Respirators maintained for emergency use shall be cleaned and disinfected after each use.

(4) Replacement or repairs shall be done only by experienced persons with parts designed for the respirator. No attempt shall be made to replace components or to make adjustment or repairs beyond the manufacturer's recommendations. Reducing or admission valves or regulators shall be returned to the manufacturer or to a trained technician for adjustment or repair.

(5) (i) After inspection, cleaning, and necessary repair, respirators shall be stored to protect against dust, sunlight, heat, extreme cold, excessive moisture, or damaging chemicals. Respirators placed at stations and work areas for emergency use should be quickly accessible at all times and should be stored in compartments built for the purpose. The compartments should be clearly marked. Routinely

used respirators, such as dust respirators, may be placed in plastic bags. Respirators should not be stored in such places as lockers or tool boxes unless they are in carrying cases or cartons.

(ii) Respirators should be packed or stored so that the facepiece and exhalation valve will rest in a normal position and function will not be impaired by the elastomer setting in an abnormal position.

(iii) Instructions for proper storage of emergency respirators, such as gas masks and self-contained breathing apparatus, are found in "use and care" instructions usually mounted inside the carrying case lid.

(g) Identification of gas mask canisters. (1) The primary means of identifying a gas mask canister shall be by means of properly worded labels. The secondary means of identifying a gas mask canister shall be by a color code.

(2) All who issue or use gas masks falling within the scope of this section shall see that all gas mask canisters purchased or used by them are properly labeled and colored in accordance with these requirements before they are placed in service and that the labels and colors are properly maintained at all times thereafter until the canisters have completely served their purpose.

(3) On each canister shall appear in bold letters the following:

(i) —  
Canister for .....  
(Name for atmospheric contaminant)  
or

#### Type N Gas Mask Canister

(ii) In addition, essentially the following wording shall appear beneath the appropriate phrase on the canister

TABLE I-1

Atmospheric contaminants to be protected against	Colors assigned*
Acid gases.....	White.
Hydrocyanic acid gas.....	White with ½-inch green stripe completely around the canister near the bottom.
Chlorine gas.....	White with ½-inch yellow stripe completely around the canister near the bottom.
Organic vapors.....	Black.
Ammonia gas.....	Green.
Acid gases and ammonia gas.....	Green with ½-inch white stripe completely around the canister near the bottom.
Carbon monoxide.....	Blue.
Acid gases and organic vapors.....	Yellow.
Hydrocyanic acid gas and chloropicrin vapor.....	Yellow with ½-inch blue stripe completely around the canister near the bottom.
Acid gases, organic vapors, and ammonia gases.....	Brown.
Radioactive materials, excepting tritium and noble gases.....	Purple (Magenta).
Particulates (dusts, fumes, mists, fogs, or smokes) in combination with any of the above gases or vapors.....	Canister color for contaminant, as designated above, with ½-inch gray stripe completely around the canister near the top.
All of the above atmospheric contaminants.....	Red with ½-inch gray stripe completely around the canister near the top.

\*Gray shall not be assigned as the main color for a canister designed to remove acids or vapors.

NOTE: Orange shall be used as a complete body, or stripe color to represent gases not included in this table. The user will need to refer to the canister label to determine the degree of protection the canister will afford.

label: "For respiratory protection in atmospheres containing not more than \_\_\_\_\_ percent by volume of \_\_\_\_\_"

(Name of atmospheric contaminant)

(iii) [Revoked]

(4) Canisters having a special high-efficiency filter for protection against radionuclides and other highly toxic particulates shall be labeled with a statement of the type and degree of protection afforded by the filter. The label shall be affixed to the neck end of, or to the gray stripe which is around and near the top of, the canister. The degree of protection shall be marked as the percent of penetration of the canister by a 0.3-micron-diameter dioctyl phthalate (DOP) smoke at a flow rate of 85 liters per minute.

(5) Each canister shall have a label warning that gas masks should be used only in atmospheres containing sufficient oxygen to support life (at least 16 percent by volume), since gas mask canisters are only designed to neutralize or remove contaminants from the air.

(6) Each gas mask canister shall be painted a distinctive color or combination of colors indicated in Table I-1. All colors used shall be such that they are clearly identifiable by the user and clearly distinguishable from one another. The color coating used shall offer a high degree of resistance to chipping, scaling, peeling, blistering, fading, and the effects of the ordinary atmospheres to which they may be exposed under normal conditions of storage and use. Appropriately colored pressure sensitive tape may be used for the stripes.

[Section 1910.134(g)(3)(iii) revoked at 43 FR 49726, October 24, 1978, effective November 24, 1978]

## **APPENDIX D**

EPA National Emission Standard  
for Asbestos  
40 CFR 61.20



for the purposes in Appendix B to this part hereby approved by the Administrator as an alternative method for sources subject to § 61.52(b).

(Sec. 114, Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7414))

[38 FR 8826, Apr. 6, 1973, as amended at 40 FR 48299, Oct. 14, 1975; 43 FR 8800, Mar. 3, 1978]

#### § 61.15 Availability of information.

The availability to the public of information provided to, or otherwise obtained by, the Administrator under this part shall be governed by Part 2 of this chapter.

(Sec. 114, Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7414))

[41 FR 36918, Sept. 1, 1976, as amended at 43 FR 8800, Mar. 3, 1978]

#### § 61.16 State authority.

(a) The provisions of this part shall not be construed in any manner to preclude any State or political subdivision thereof from:

(1) Adopting and enforcing any emission limiting regulation applicable to a stationary source, provided that such emission limiting regulation is not less stringent than the standards prescribed under this part.

(2) Requiring the owner or operator of a stationary source, other than a stationary source owned or operated by the United States, to obtain permits, licenses, or approvals prior to initiating construction, modification, or operation of such source.

(Sec. 116, Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7416))

[38 FR 8826, Apr. 6, 1973, as amended at 43 FR 8800, Mar. 3, 1978]

#### § 61.17 Circumvention.

No owner or operator subject to the provisions of this part shall build, erect, install, or use any article, machine, equipment, process, or method, the use of which conceals an emission which would otherwise constitute a violation of an applicable standard. Such concealment includes, but is not limited to, the use of gaseous dilutants to achieve compliance with a visible emissions standard, and the piecemeal carrying out of an operation to avoid

coverage by a standard that applies only to operations larger than a specified size.

[40 FR 48299, Oct. 14, 1975]

### Subpart B—National Emission Standard for Asbestos

#### § 61.20 Applicability.

The provisions of this subpart are applicable to those sources specified in § 61.22.

#### § 61.21 Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart are defined in the act, in Subpart A of this part, or in this section as follows:

(a) "Asbestos" means actinolite, amosite, anthophyllite, chrysotile, crocidolite, tremolite.

(b) "Asbestos material" means asbestos or any material containing asbestos.

(c) "Particulate asbestos material" means finely divided particles of asbestos material.

(d) "Asbestos tailings" means any solid waste product of asbestos mining or milling operations which contains asbestos.

(e) "Outside air" means the air outside buildings and structures.

(f) "Visible emissions" means any emissions which are visually detectable without the aid of instruments and which contain particulate asbestos material.

(g) "Asbestos mill" means any facility engaged in the conversion of any intermediate step in the conversion of asbestos or into commercial asbestos. Outside storage of asbestos materials is not considered a part of such facility.

(h) "Commercial asbestos" means any variety of asbestos which is produced by extracting asbestos from asbestos ore.

(i) "Manufacturing" means the combining of commercial asbestos, or in the case of woven friction products the combining of textiles containing commercial asbestos, with any other material(s), including commercial asbestos, and the processing of this combination into a product as specified in § 61.22(c).

(j) "Demolition" means the wrecking or taking out of any load-supporting

structural member and any related removing or stripping of friable asbestos materials.

(k) "Friable asbestos material" means any material that contains more than 1 percent asbestos by weight and that can be crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder, when dry, by hand pressure.

(l) "Control device asbestos waste" means any asbestos-containing waste material that is collected in a pollution control device.

(m) "Renovation" means the removing or stripping of friable asbestos material used on any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member. Operations in which load-supporting structural members are wrecked or taken out, are excluded.

(n) "Planned renovation" means a renovation operation, or a number of such operations, in which the amount of friable asbestos material that will be removed or stripped within a given period of time can be predicted. Operations that are individually non-scheduled are included, provided a number of such operations can be predicted to occur during a given period of time based on operating experience.

(o) "Emergency renovation" means a renovation operation that results from a sudden, unexpected event, and is not a planned renovation. Operations necessitated by non-routine failures of equipment are included.

(p) "Adequately wetted" means sufficiently mixed or coated with water or an aqueous solution to prevent dust emissions.

(q) "Removing" means taking out friable asbestos materials used on any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member from any building, structure, facility, or installation.

(r) "Stripping" means taking off friable asbestos materials from any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member.

(s) "Fabricating" means any processing of a manufactured product containing commercial asbestos, with the exception of processing at temporary sites for the construction or restoration of buildings, structures, facilities or installations.

(t) "Inactive waste disposal site" means any disposal site or portion thereof where additional asbestos-containing waste material will not be deposited and where the surface is not disturbed by vehicular traffic.

(u) "Active waste disposal site" means any disposal site other than an inactive site.

(v) "Roadways" means surfaces on which motor vehicles travel including, but not limited to, highways, roads, streets, parking areas, and driveways.

(w) "Asbestos-containing waste material" means any waste which contains commercial asbestos and is generated by a source subject to the provisions of this subpart, including asbestos mill tailings, control device asbestos waste, friable asbestos waste material, and bags or containers that previously contained commercial asbestos.

(x) "Structural member" means any load-supporting member, such as beams and load-supporting walls; or any non-load-supporting member, such as ceilings and non-load-supporting walls.

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#### § 61.22 Emission standard.

(a) Asbestos mills: There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from any asbestos mill except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section.

(b) Roadways: The surfacing of roadways with asbestos tailings or with asbestos-containing waste that is generated by any source subject to paragraphs (c), (d), (e) or (h) of this section is prohibited, except for temporary roadways on an area of asbestos ore deposits. The deposition of asbestos tailings or asbestos-containing waste on roadways covered with snow or ice is considered "surfacing."

(c) Manufacturing: There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section, from any of the following operations if they use commercial asbestos or from any building or structure in which such operations are conducted.

(1) The manufacture of cloth, cord, wicks, tubing, tape, twine, rope,

product.

(3) The manufacture of fireproofing and insulating materials.

(4) The manufacture of friction products.

(5) The manufacture of paper, millboard, and felt.

(6) The manufacture of floor tile.

(7) The manufacture of paints, coatings, caulks, adhesives, sealants.

(8) The manufacture of plastics and rubber materials.

(9) The manufacture of chlorine.

(10) The manufacture of shotgun shells.

(11) The manufacture of asphalt concrete.

(d) Demolition and renovation: The requirements of this paragraph shall apply to any owner or operator of a demolition or renovation operation who intends to demolish any institutional, commercial, or industrial building (including apartment buildings having more than four dwelling units), structure, facility, installation, or portion thereof, which contains any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member that is covered or coated with friable asbestos material, except as provided in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; or who intends to renovate any institutional, commercial, or industrial building, structure, facility, installation, or portion thereof where more than 80 meters (ca. 260 feet) of pipe covered or coated with friable asbestos material are stripped or removed, or more than 15 square meters (ca. 160 square feet) of friable asbestos material used to cover or coat any duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member are stripped or removed.

(1)(i) The owner or operator of a demolition operation is exempted from the requirements of this paragraph: *Provided*, (A) the amount of friable asbestos material in the building or portion thereof to be demolished is less than 80 meters (ca. 260 feet) used to insulate pipes, and less than 15 square meters (ca. 160 square feet) used to insulate or fireproof any duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member, and (B) the notification requirements of paragraph (d)(1)(ii) are met.

erator at least 20 days prior to commencement of demolition and shall include the information required by paragraph (d)(2) of this section, with the exception of the information required by paragraphs (d)(2)(iii), (vi), (vii), (viii), and (ix), and shall state the measured or estimated amount of friable asbestos materials which is present. Techniques of estimation shall be explained.

(2) Written notice of intention to demolish or renovate shall be provided to the Administrator by the owner or operator of the demolition or renovation operation. Such notice shall be postmarked or delivered to the Administrator at least 10 days prior to commencement of demolition, or as early as possible prior to commencement of emergency demolition subject to paragraph (d)(6) of this section, and as early as possible prior to commencement of renovation. Such notice shall include the following information:

(i) Name of owner or operator.

(ii) Address of owner or operator.

(iii) Description of the building, structure, facility, or installation to be demolished or renovated, including the size, age, and prior use of the structure, and the approximate amount of friable asbestos materials present.

(iv) Address or location of the building, structure, facility, or installation.

(v) Scheduled starting and completion dates of demolition or renovation.

(vi) Nature of planned demolition or renovation and method(s) to be employed.

(vii) Procedures to be employed to meet the requirements of this paragraph and paragraph (j) of this section.

(viii) The name and address or location of the waste disposal site where the friable asbestos waste will be deposited.

(ix) Name, title, and authority of the State or local governmental representative who has ordered a demolition which is subject to paragraph (d)(6) of this section.

(3)(i) For purposes of determining whether a planned renovating operation constitutes a renovation within the meaning of this paragraph, the

be removed or stripped shall be:

(A) For planned renovating operations involving individually non-scheduled operations, the additive amount of friable asbestos material that can be predicted will be removed or stripped at a source over the maximum period of time for which a prediction can be made. The period shall be not less than 30 days and not longer than one year.

(B) For each planned renovating operation not covered by paragraph (d)(3)(i)(A), the total amount of friable asbestos material that can be predicted will be removed or stripped at a source.

(ii) For purposes of determining whether an emergency renovating operation constitutes a renovation within the meaning of this paragraph, the amount of friable asbestos material to be removed or stripped shall be the total amount of friable asbestos material that will be removed or stripped as a result of the sudden, unexpected event that necessitated the renovation.

(4) The following procedures shall be used to prevent emissions of particulate asbestos material to outside air:

(i) Friable asbestos materials, used on any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member, shall be removed from any building, structure, facility or installation subject to this paragraph. Such removal shall occur before wrecking or dismantling of any portion of such building, structure, facility, or installation that would break up the friable asbestos materials and before wrecking or dismantling of any other portion of such building, structure, facility, or installation that would preclude access to such materials for subsequent removal. Removal of friable asbestos materials used on any pipe, duct, or structural member which are encased in concrete or other similar structural material is not required prior to demolition, but such material shall be adequately wetted whenever exposed during demolition.

(ii) Friable asbestos materials used on pipes, ducts, boilers, tanks, reactors, turbines, furnaces, or structural members shall be adequately wetted during stripping, except as provided in

(d)(4)(vii) of this section

(iii) Pipes, ducts, boilers, tanks, reactors, turbines, furnaces, or structural members that are covered or coated with friable asbestos materials may be taken out of any building, structure, facility, or installation subject to this paragraph as units or in sections provided the friable asbestos materials exposed during cutting or disjoining are adequately wetted during the cutting or disjoining operation. Such units shall not be dropped or thrown to the ground, but shall be carefully lowered to ground level.

(iv) The stripping of friable asbestos materials used on any pipe, duct, boiler, tank, reactor, turbine, furnace, or structural member that has been removed as a unit or in sections as provided in paragraph (d)(4)(iii) of this section shall be performed in accordance with paragraph (d)(4)(ii) of this section. Rather than comply with the wetting requirement, a local exhaust ventilation and collection system may be used to prevent emissions to the outside air. Such local exhaust ventilation systems shall be designed and operated to capture the asbestos particulate matter produced by the stripping of friable asbestos material. There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from such local exhaust ventilation and collection systems except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section.

(v) All friable asbestos materials that have been removed or stripped shall be adequately wetted to ensure that such materials remain wet during all remaining stages of demolition or renovation and related handling operations. Such materials shall not be dropped or thrown to the ground or a lower floor. Such materials that have been removed or stripped more than 50 feet above ground level, except those materials removed as units or in sections, shall be transported to the ground via dust-tight chutes or containers.

(vi) Except as specified below, the wetting requirements of this paragraph are suspended when the temperature at the point of wetting is below 0°C (32°F). When friable asbestos materials are not wetted due to freezing temperatures, such materials



on pipes, ducts, boilers, tanks, reactors, turbines, furnaces, or structural members shall, to the maximum extent possible, be removed as units or in sections prior to wrecking. In no case shall the requirements of paragraphs (d)(4)(iv) or (d)(4)(v) be suspended due to freezing temperatures.

(vii) For renovation operations, local exhaust ventilation and collection systems may be used, instead of wetting as specified in paragraph (d)(4)(ii), to prevent emissions of particulate asbestos material to outside air when damage to equipment resulting from the wetting would be unavoidable. Upon request and supply of adequate information, the Administrator will determine whether damage to equipment resulting from wetting to comply with the provisions of this paragraph would be unavoidable. Such local exhaust ventilation systems shall be designed and operated to capture the asbestos particulate matter produced by the stripping and removal of friable asbestos material. There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from such local exhaust ventilation and collection systems, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section.

(5) Sources subject to this paragraph are exempt from the requirements of §§ 61.05(a), 61.07, and 61.09.

(6) The demolition of a building, structure, facility, or installation, pursuant to an order of an authorized representative of a State or local governmental agency, issued because that building is structurally unsound and in danger of imminent collapse is exempt from all but the following requirements of paragraph (d) of this section:

(i) The notification requirements specified by paragraph (d)(2) of this section;

(ii) The requirements on stripping of friable asbestos materials from previously removed units or sections as specified in paragraph (d)(4)(iv) of this section;

(iii) The wetting, as specified by paragraph (d)(4)(v) of this section, of friable asbestos materials that have been removed or stripped;

(iv) The portion of the structure being demolished that contains friable asbestos materials shall be adequately wetted during the wrecking operation.

(e) Spraying: There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from the spray-on application of materials containing more than 1 percent asbestos, on a dry weight basis, used on equipment and machinery, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section. Materials sprayed on buildings, structures, pipes, and conduits shall contain less than 1 percent asbestos on a dry weight basis.

(1) Sources subject to this paragraph are exempt from the requirements of § 61.05(a), § 61.07, and § 61.09.

(2) Any owner or operator who intends to spray asbestos materials which contain more than 1 percent asbestos on a dry weight basis to insulate or fireproof equipment and machinery shall report such intention to the Administrator at least 20 days prior to the commencement of the spraying operation. Such report shall include the following information:

(i) Name of owner or operator.

(ii) Address of owner or operator.

(iii) Location of spraying operation.

(iv) Procedures to be followed to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

(3) The spray-on application of materials in which the asbestos fibers are encapsulated with a bituminous or resinous binder during spraying and which are not friable after drying is exempted from the requirements of paragraphs (e) and (e)(2) of this section.

(f) Rather than meet the no-visible-emission requirements as specified by paragraphs (a), (c), (d), (e), (h), (j), and (k) of this section, an owner or operator may elect to use the methods specified by § 61.23 to clean emissions containing particulate asbestos material before such emissions escape to, or are vented to, the outside air.

(g) Where the presence of uncombined water is the sole reason for failure to meet the no-visible-emission requirement of paragraphs (a), (c), (d), (e), (h), (j), or (k) of this section, such failure shall not be a violation of such emission requirements.

(h) Fabricating: There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section, from any of the following operations if they use commercial as-

bestos or from any building or structure in which such operations are conducted.

(1) The fabrication of cement building products.

(2) The fabrication of friction products, except those operations that primarily install asbestos friction materials on motor vehicles.

(3) The fabrication of cement or silicate board for ventilation hoods; ovens; electrical panels; laboratory furniture; bulkheads, partitions and ceilings for marine construction; and flow control devices for the molten metal industry.

(i) Insulating: Molded insulating materials which are friable and wet-applied insulating materials which are friable after drying, installed after the effective date of these regulations, shall contain no commercial asbestos. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to insulating materials which are spray applied; such materials are regulated under § 61.22(e).

(j) Waste disposal for manufacturing, fabricating, demolition, renovation and spraying operations: The owner or operator of any source covered under the provisions of paragraphs (c), (d), (e), or (h) of this section shall meet the following standards:

(i) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air, except as provided in paragraph (j)(3) of this section, during the collection; processing, including incineration; packaging; transporting; or deposition of any asbestos-containing waste material which is generated by such source.

(2) All asbestos-containing waste material shall be deposited at waste disposal sites which are operated in accordance with the provisions of § 61.25.

(3) Rather than meet the requirement of paragraph (j)(1) of this section, an owner or operator may elect to use either of the disposal methods specified under (j)(3)(i) and (ii) of this section, or an alternative disposal method which has received prior approval by the Administrator:

(i) Treatment of asbestos-containing waste material with water:

(A) Control device asbestos waste shall be thoroughly mixed with water

into a slurry and other asbestos-containing waste material shall be adequately wetted. There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from the collection, mixing and wetting operations, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section.

(B) After wetting, all asbestos-containing waste material shall be sealed into leak-tight containers while wet, and such containers shall be deposited at waste disposal sites which are operated in accordance with the provisions of § 61.25.

(C) The containers specified under paragraph (j)(3)(i)(B) of this section shall be labeled with a warning label that states:

**CAUTION**

Contains Asbestos

Avoid Opening or

Breaking Container

Breathing Asbestos is Hazardous

to Your Health

Alternatively, warning labels specified by Occupational Safety and Health Standards of the Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) under 29 CFR 1910.93a(g)(2)(ii) may be used.

(ii) Processing of asbestos-containing waste material into non-friable forms:

(A) All asbestos-containing waste material shall be formed into non-friable pellets or other shapes and deposited at waste disposal sites which are operated in accordance with the provisions of § 61.25.

(B) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from the collection and processing of asbestos-containing waste material, except as specified in paragraph (f) of this section.

(4) For the purposes of this paragraph (j), the term all asbestos-containing waste material as applied to demolition and renovation operations covered by paragraph (d) of this section includes only friable asbestos waste and control device asbestos waste.

(k) Waste disposal for asbestos mills: The owner or operator of any source covered under the provisions of para-

the following standard:

(1) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air, except as provided in paragraph (k)(3) of this section, during the collection, processing, packaging, transporting or deposition of any asbestos-containing waste material which is generated by such source.

(2) All asbestos-containing waste material shall be deposited at waste disposal sites which are operated in accordance with the provisions of § 61.25.

(3) Rather than meet the requirement of paragraph (k)(1) of this section, an owner or operator may elect to meet the following requirements in paragraphs (k)(3)(i) and (ii), or use an alternative disposal method which has received prior approval by the Administrator:

(i) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from the transfer of control device asbestos waste to the tailings conveyor, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section. Such waste shall be subsequently processed either as specified in paragraph (k)(3)(ii) of this section or as specified in paragraph (j)(3) of this section.

(ii) All asbestos-containing waste material shall be adequately mixed, with a wetting agent recommended by the manufacturer of the agent to effectively wet dust and tailings, prior to deposition at a waste disposal site. Such agent shall be used as recommended for the particular dust by the manufacturer of the agent. There shall be no discharge of visible emissions to the outside air from the wetting operation except as specified in paragraph (f) of this section. Wetting may be suspended when the ambient temperature at the waste disposal site is less than  $-9.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  (ca.  $15^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). The ambient air temperature shall be determined by an appropriate measurement method with an accuracy of  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and recorded at least at hourly intervals during the period that the operation of the wetting system is suspended. Records of such temperature measurements shall be retained at the source for a minimum of 2 years and made available for inspection by the Administrator.

(1) The owner of any inactive waste disposal site, which was operated by

covered under § 61.22(a), (c) (h) and where asbestos-containing waste material produced by such sources was deposited, shall meet the following standards:

(1) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from an inactive waste disposal site subject to this paragraph, except as provided in paragraph (1)(5) of this section.

(2) Warning signs shall be displayed at all entrances, and along the property line of the site or along the perimeter of the sections of the site where asbestos-containing waste material was deposited, at intervals of 100 m (ca. 330 ft) or less, except as specified in paragraph (1)(4) of this section. Signs shall be posted in such a manner and location that a person may easily read the legend. The warning signs required by this paragraph shall conform to the requirements of 20" x 14" upright format signs specified in 29 CFR 1910.145(d)(4) and this paragraph. The signs shall display the following legend in the lower panel, with letter sizes and styles of a visibility at least equal to those specified in this paragraph.

#### LEGEND

##### ASBESTOS WASTE DISPOSAL SITE

##### DO NOT CREATE DUST

Breathing Asbestos is Hazardous to Your Health

##### Notation

1" Sans Serif, Gothic or Block

3/4" Sans Serif, Gothic or Block

14 Point Gothic

Spacing between lines shall be at least equal to the height of the upper of the two lines.

(3) The perimeter of the site shall be fenced in a manner adequate to deter access by the general public, except as specified in paragraph (1)(4) of this section.

(4) Warning signs and fencing are not required where the requirements of paragraphs (1)(5)(i) or (ii) of this section are met, or where a natural barrier adequately deters access by the general public. Upon request and supply of appropriate information, the Administrator will determine whether

access or a natural barrier adequately deters access to the general public.

(5) Rather than meet the requirement of paragraph (1)(1) of this section, an owner may elect to meet the requirements of this paragraph or may use an alternative control method for emissions from inactive waste disposal sites which has received prior approval by the Administrator.

(i) The asbestos-containing waste material shall be covered with at least 15 centimeters (ca. 6 inches) of compacted non-asbestos-containing material, and a cover of vegetation shall be grown and maintained on the area adequate to prevent exposure of the asbestos-containing waste material; or

(ii) The asbestos-containing waste material shall be covered with at least 40 centimeters (ca. 2 feet) of compacted non-asbestos-containing material and maintained to prevent exposure of the asbestos-containing waste; or

(iii) For inactive waste disposal sites for asbestos tailings, a resinous or petroleum-based dust suppression agent which effectively binds dust and controls wind erosion shall be applied. Such agent shall be used as recommended for the particular asbestos tailings by the dust suppression agent manufacturer. Other equally effective dust suppression agents may be used upon prior approval by the Administrator. For purposes of this paragraph, waste crankcase oil is not considered a dust suppression agent.

[38 FR 8826, Apr. 6, 1973, as amended at 39 FR 15398, May 3, 1974; 40 FR 48299, Oct. 14, 1975; 43 FR 26374, June 19, 1978]

#### § 61.23 Air-cleaning.

If air-cleaning is elected, as permitted by §§ 61.22(f) and 61.22(d)(4)(iv), the requirements of this section must be met.

(a) Fabric filter collection devices must be used, except as noted in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section. Such devices must be operated at a pressure drop of no more than 4 inches water gage, as measured across the filter fabric. The airflow permeability, as determined by ASTM method D737-69, must not exceed 30  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$  for woven fabrics or 35  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$  for felted fabrics, except that 40  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$  for woven and 45  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$  for felted fabrics is allowed for filtering

air from asbestos ore processors. Each square yard of felted fabric must weigh at least 14 ounces and be at least one-sixteenth inch thick throughout. Synthetic fabrics must not contain fill yarn other than that which is spun.

(b) If the use of fabric filters creates a fire or explosion hazard, the administrator may authorize the use of wet collectors designed to operate with a unit contacting energy of at least 40 inches water gage pressure.

(c) The administrator may authorize the use of filtering equipment other than that described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section if the owner or operator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the administrator that the filtering of particulate asbestos material is equivalent to that of the described equipment.

(d) All air-cleaning equipment authorized by this section must be properly installed, used, operated, and maintained. Bypass devices may be used only during upset or emergency conditions and then only for so long as it takes to shut down the operation generating the particulate asbestos material.

[38 FR 8826, Apr. 6, 1973, as amended at 40 FR 48302, Oct. 14, 1975]

#### § 61.24 Reporting.

The owner or operator of any existing source to which this subpart is applicable shall, within 90 days after the effective date, provide the following information to the administrator:

(a) A description of the emission control equipment used for each process;

(b) If a fabric filter device is used to control emissions, the pressure drop across the fabric filter in inches water gage.

(1) If the fabric filter device utilizes a woven fabric, the airflow permeability in  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$  and, if the fabric is synthetic, indicate whether the fill yarn is spun or not spun.

(2) If the fabric filter device utilizes a felted fabric, the density in  $\text{oz}/\text{yd}^2$ , the minimum thickness in inches, and the airflow permeability in  $\text{ft}^3/\text{min}/\text{ft}^2$ .

(c) For sources subject to §§ 61.22(j) and 61.22(k):



(1) A brief description of each process that generates asbestos-containing waste material.

(2) The average weight of asbestos-containing waste material disposed of, measured in kg/day.

(3) The emission control methods used in all stages of waste disposal.

(4) The type of disposal site or incineration site used for ultimate disposal, the name of the site operator, and the name and location of the disposal site.

(d) For sources subject to § 61.22(l):

(1) A brief description of the site.

(2) The method or methods used to comply with the standard, or alternative procedures to be used.

(e) Such information shall accompany the information required by § 61.10. The information described in this section shall be reported using the format of Appendix A of this part.

(Sec. 114, Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7414))

[38 FR 8826, Apr. 6, 1973, as amended at 40 FR 48302, Oct. 14, 1975; 43 FR 8800, Mar. 3, 1978]

#### § 61.25 Waste disposal sites.

In order to be an acceptable site for disposal of asbestos-containing waste material under § 61.22(j) and (k), an active waste disposal site shall meet the requirements of this section.

(a) There shall be no visible emissions to the outside air from any active waste disposal site where asbestos-containing waste material has been deposited, except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section.

(b) Warning signs shall be displayed at all entrances, and along the property line of the site or along the perimeter of the sections of the site where asbestos-containing waste material is deposited, at intervals of 100 m (ca. 330 ft) or less except as specified in paragraph (d) of this section. Signs shall be posted in such a manner and location that a person may easily read the legend. The warning signs required by this paragraph shall conform to the requirements of 20" x 14" upright format signs specified in 29 CFR 1910.145(d)(4) and this paragraph. The signs shall display the following legend in the lower panel, with letter sizes and styles of a visibility at

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(c) The perimeter of the disposal site shall be fenced in order to adequately deter access to the general public except as specified in paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) Warning signs and fencing are not required where the requirements of paragraph (e)(1) of this section are met, or where a natural barrier adequately deters access to the general public. Upon request and supply of appropriate information, the Administrator will determine whether a fence or a natural barrier adequately deters access to the general public.

(e) Rather than meet the requirement of paragraph (a) of this section, an owner or operator may elect to meet the requirements of paragraph (e)(1) or (e)(2) of this section, or may use an alternative control method for emissions from active waste disposal sites which has received prior approval by the Administrator.

(1) At the end of each operating day, or at least once every 24-hour period while the site is in continuous operation, the asbestos-containing waste material which was deposited at the site during the operating day or previous 24-hour period shall be covered with at least 15 centimeters (ca. 6 inches) of compacted non-asbestos-containing material.

(2) At the end of each operating day, or at least once every 24-hour period while the disposal site is in continuous operation, the asbestos-containing waste material which was deposited at the site during the operating day or previous 24-hour period shall be covered with a resinous or petroleum

based dust suppression agent which effectively binds dust and controls wind erosion. Such agent shall be used as recommended for the particular dust by the dust suppression agent manufacturer. Other equally effective dust suppression agents may be used upon prior approval by the Administrator. For purposes of this paragraph, waste crankcase oil is not considered a dust suppression agent.

(40 FR 48302, Oct. 14, 1975)

#### Subpart C—National Emission Standard for Beryllium

##### § 61.30 Applicability.

The provisions of this subpart are applicable to the following stationary sources:

(a) Extraction plants, ceramic plants, foundries, incinerators, and propellant plants which process beryllium ore, beryllium, beryllium oxide, beryllium alloys, or beryllium-containing waste.

(b) Machine shops which process beryllium, beryllium oxides, or any alloy when such alloy contains more than 5 percent beryllium by weight.

##### § 61.31 Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart are defined in the act, in subpart A of this part, or in this section as follows:

(a) "Beryllium" means the element beryllium. Where weights or concentrations are specified, such weights or concentrations apply to beryllium only, excluding the weight or concentration of any associated elements.

(b) "Extraction plant" means a facility chemically processing beryllium ore to beryllium metal, alloy, or oxide, or performing any of the intermediate steps in these processes.

(c) "Beryllium ore" means any naturally occurring material mined or gathered for its beryllium content.

(d) "Machine shop" means a facility performing cutting, grinding, turning, boring, milling, deburring, lapping, electrochemical machining, etching, or other similar operations.

(e) "Ceramic plant" means a manufacturing plant producing ceramic items.

(f) "Foundry" means a facility engaged in the melting or casting of beryllium metal or alloy.

(g) "Beryllium-containing waste" means material contaminated with beryllium and/or beryllium compounds used or generated during any process or operation performed by a source subject to this subpart.

(h) "Incinerator" means any furnace used in the process of burning waste for the primary purpose of reducing the volume of the waste by removing combustible matter.

(i) "Propellant" means a fuel and oxidizer physically or chemically combined which undergoes combustion to provide rocket propulsion.

(j) "Beryllium alloy" means any metal to which beryllium has been added in order to increase its beryllium content and which contains more than 0.1 percent beryllium by weight.

(k) "Propellant plant" means any facility engaged in the mixing, casting, or machining of propellant.

##### § 61.32 Emission standard.

(a) Emissions to the atmosphere from stationary sources subject to the provisions of this subpart shall not exceed 10 grams of beryllium over a 24-hour period, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) Rather than meet the requirement of paragraph (a) of this section, an owner or operator may request approval from the Administrator to meet an ambient concentration limit on beryllium in the vicinity of the stationary source of 0.01 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, averaged over a 30-day period.

(1) Approval of such requests may be granted by the Administrator provided that:

(i) At least 3 years of data is available which in the judgment of the Administrator demonstrates that the future ambient concentrations of beryllium in the vicinity of the stationary source will not exceed 0.01 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, averaged over a 30-day period. Such 3-year period shall be the 3 years ending 30 days before the effective date of this standard.

(ii) The owner or operator requests such approval in writing within 30 days after the effective date of this standard.

(iii) The owner or operator submits a report to the Administrator within 45 days after the effective date of this



## APPENDIX E

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